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FM AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2263

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: PROPOSED VISIT OF DEPUTY SECRETARY TO EAST ASIA

REF: STATE 252131

1. DEPUTY SECRETARY'S PROPOSED VISIT TO CANBERRA FROM 11:30 A.M. FEBRUARY 28 TO 9:00 A.M. MARCH 1 WILL BE MOST WELCOME ALTHOUGH UNFORTUNATELY BRIEF. SUBJECT TO VIEWS OF AMBASSADOR GREEN, WHO IS NOW IN WASHINGTON, WOULD PROPOSE LUNCHEON MEETING WITH SENIOR MEMBERS OF MISSION STAFF FEBRUARY 28. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT EXPLORED THEIR AVAILABILITY THAT DAY IN CANBERRA, WOULD SUGGEST CALLS DURING AFTERNOON UPON PRIME MINISTER WHITLAM, FOREIGN MINISTER WILLESEE, DEFENSE MINISTER BARNARD, LEADER OF OPPOSITION SNEDDEN, AND ONE OF MORE CONTROVERSIAL AND RADICAL MINISTERS SUCH AS CAIRNS, CONNOR, OR CAMERON. I AM SURE AMBASSADOR WILL WISH DEPUTY SECRETARY TO STAY AT RESIDENCE AND WILL PLAN TO HOST DINNER FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY EVENING FEBRUARY 28.

2. REGARDING PAPUA NEW GUINEA STOPOVER PROPOSED 12:10 PM MARCH
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1 TO 3:00 P.M. MARCH 2, WOULD TENTATIVELY SUGGEST APPOINTMENTS

WITH CHIEF MINISTER SOMARE, MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE
MAORO KIKI, MINISTER FINANCE CHAN, AND MINISTER EDUCATION
OLEWALE. LAST NAMED MAY WELL FEEL PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR
VISIT AND MAY BE MAKING PLANS FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY'S DAY IN
PORT MORESBY. EMBASSY WILL PLAN TO SEND POLITICAL OFFICER ON IN
ADVANCE TO CONCLUDE ARRANGEMENTS. AMBASSADOR OR DCM MIGHT ALSO
ACCOMPANY DEPUTY SECRETARY TO PNG.
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